THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE): (a) Yes, Sir. Konkan Railway Corporation Limited (KRCL) has intimated that they have obtained 18 patents.

(b) Except for nine patents for Sky Bus technology, the adoption and commercial utilization of balance nine patents has been started by KRCL.

(c) No, Sir.

**Funds for the National Literacy Mission**

*333. SHRIMATI T. RATNA BAI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has released any funds for the National Literacy Mission especially for rural areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years, State-wise; and

(c) the plan prepared for the Eleventh Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL): (a) and (b) Details of funds released to States and UTs under the National Literacy Mission during the last three years are given in the Statement *(See* below).

(c) During the Eleventh Five Year Plan, Saakshar Bharat, a new variant of National Literacy Mission has been launched. The thrust of the Mission is on access, equity, quality and good governance. Since it aims to bridge the gender gap and reduce regional and social disparities, the focus of the Mission will be on women and disadvantaged groups, especially SCs, STs and minorities in rural areas. Basic literacy, post literacy and continuing education will form a continuum rather than sequential segments. Besides the volunteer based mass education approach, provision has been made for alternate approaches to adult education. Lok Shiksha Kendras (Adult Education Centres) in Gram Panchayats will coordinate all programmes within their territorial jurisdiction.

***Statement***

*Funds for the National Literacy Mission*

(Rs. in lakhs)

| Sl. No. | States/UTs | 2006-07 | 2007-08 | 2008-09 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 2200.59 | 2417.30 | 1270.53 |
| 2. | Arunachal Pradesh | 38.05 | 34.54 | 25.00 |
| 3. | Assam | 249.01 | 193.21 | 155.11 |
| 4. | Bihar | 473.73 | 638.26 | 393.83 |
| 5. | Chhattisgarh | 716.59 | 384.20 | 711.87 |

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6. | Delhi | 105.37 | 111.86 | 116.04 |
| 7. | Goa | 23.19 | 24.48 | 24.98 |
| 8. | Gujarat | 333.39 | 432.17 | 350.42 |
| 9. | Haryana | 193.88 | 312.06 | 271.47 |
| 10. | Himachal Pradesh | 37.67 | 35.62 | 50.96 |
| 11. | Jammu & Kashmir | 218.29 | 121.40 | 75.26 |
| 12. | Jharkhand | 371.57 | 937.66 | 420.66 |
| 13. | Karnataka | 1819.42 | 2529.14 | 428.17 |
| 14. | Kerala | 677.97 | 615.55 | 639.55 |
| 15. | Madhya Pradesh | 3202.16 | 755.82 | 853.94 |
| 16. | Maharashtra | 1020.62 | 867.29 | 976.12 |
| 17. | Manipur | 107.71 | 134.43 | 67.48 |
| 18. | Meghalaya | 157.26 | 47.30 | 47.72 |
| 19. | Mizoram | 107.79 | 22.65 | 23.71 |
| 20. | Nagaland | 23.93 | 24.13 | 32.71 |
| 21. | Orissa | 303.63 | 582.98 | 422.26 |
| 22. | Punjab | 209.80 | 112.44 | 286.66 |
| 23. | Rajasthan | 1517.23 | 3598.39 | 1390.85 |
| 24. | Sikkim | 12.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 25. | Tamil Nadu | 1377.85 | 1105.14 | 538.36 |
| 26. | Tripura | 82.25 | 39.41 | 31.43 |
| 27. | Uttaranchal | 760.01 | 440.48 | 212.62 |
| 28. | Uttar Pradesh | 1792.79 | 3096.84 | 2281.33 |
| 29. | West Bengal | 2196.71 | 1492.80 | 1354.07 |
| 30. | A & N Island | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 31. | Chandigarh | 148.10 | 29.97 | 30.00 |
| 32. | Dadra & Nagar Haveli | 0.00 | 0.00 | 15.00 |
| 33. | Daman & Diu | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 34. | Lakshadweep | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3.48 |
| 35. | Pondicherry | 0.00 | 38.70 | 0.00 |
| | TOTAL | 20478.56 | 21176.22 | 13501.59 |